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Subject:

Authorization to Exceed 40 Acre Opening Size Limitation on the Windy Shingle

Project, Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest

To:

Forest Supervisor, Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest

Your request to create an opening larger than 40 acres on the Windy Shingle Project is approved, based on the analysis completed for the Windy Shingle Project environmental analysis.

The approved design includes:

- Opening A Unit 1A, 1B, 1C
 - o 217.6 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening B Unit 3A
 - o 91.8 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening C Unit 5B
 - o 123.4 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening D Unit 6D, 6F
 - o 237.1 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening E Unit 8C, 8D
 - o 63.3 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening F Unit 8F, 9
 - o 88.6 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening G Unit 12B
 - o 100.3 acres of new harvest opening
- Opening H Unit 14A
 - o 102.5 acres of new harvest opening

The actions and subsequent management strategy proposed for this unit falls under the requirement to limit opening size, as described by Section 6 of the National Forest Management Act. This act requires that cuts designed to regenerate an even-aged stand of timber be subject to established maximum size limits (16 USC 1604 (g) (3) (F) (iv).



You have complied with FSM 2471.1 for this request to exceed specified limits and are hereby approved to implement these treatments following the signature of the associated decision document for the Windy Shingle Project.

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Director Renewable Resources Management

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